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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kobayashi et al.

Serial No. 09/187,700

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For: STORAGE MEDIUM AND METHOD)
AND APPARATUS FOR SEPARATELY)
PROTECTING DATA IN DIFFERENT)
AREAS OF THE STORAGE MEDIUM)
(as amended))

Art Unit: 2132)

Examiner: Meislahn, Douglas J.)

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AMENDMENT C

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed June 19, 2002, please amend
the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 15, 18 and 19 as follows:

15. (Twice Amended) A storage medium having protected data

comprising:

Handwritten signature/initials.